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**VIA EMAIL AND U.S. MAIL**

Mr. Christian L. Soura  
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South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services  
Post Office Box 8206  
Columbia, South Carolina 29202

Dear Director Soura:

On behalf of the entire ad hoc committee, I would like to thank you and your staff for sharing your time and knowledge with the committee. On December 1, 2015, the agency provided the ad hoc committee with additional information pertaining to Hyde-compliant Medicaid funded abortions which were tied to the life of the mother; specifically, the agency provided information as to whether these had been performed in inpatient or outpatient settings. In regards to the information shared with the ad hoc committee, it was requested during the meeting that the agency review available information relating to item number 17, in which the reason recorded for the life of the mother was "multiple lethal anomalies, anhydromnios" so as to ensure this was a Hyde-compliant Medicaid funded abortion.

The information provided by the agency during the meeting, this letter, and the agency's response to this letter will be posted on the committee's website. After reviewing the information, the committee will determine whether it needs you to appear at the next committee meeting tentatively scheduled for early January 2016.

This ad hoc committee looks forward to working with you and the agency staff during the legislative oversight process and to receiving the follow up information.

Sincerely,

A black rectangular box redacting the signature of Gary E. Clary.

Gary E. Clary  
Ad Hoc Committee Chair

cc: Ad Hoc Committee Members  
The Honorable Wm. Weston J. Newton